recusant and showed cause, whereat Mr Attorney kindled at it and said, ‘ Master Bacon, if you have any tooth against me, pluck it out, for it will do you more hurt than all the teeth in your head will do you good ' Mr Bacon answered coldly, *Master Attorney, I respect you , I fear you not and the less you speak of your own greatness the more I will thmfc ₒf it' The Attorney replied, * I think scorn to stand upon terms of greatness to yon who are less than little, less than the least,[3] and gave other strange terms Herewith stirred Mr Bacon said, *Mr Attorney, do not depress me so far for I have been your better, and may be again, when it please the Queen' With this the other spake in choler and in the end bade Knn not meddle with the Queen's business but with his own , and that he was unsworn, and other speeches Mr Bacon answered that sworn or unsworn was all one to an honest man, and that he ever set his own service first and himself second , and wished to God that Mr Attorney would do the like Other disgraceful words Mr Attorney gave, but Mr Bacon made no reply

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M de Boissise hath had audience of the Queen to whom she declared in very good moderation that she did acquit *"him* of the authorship of that offensive letter, only she insisted somewhat upon his son, for satisfaction whereof the young gentleman made many formal protestations and did promise that he would challenge all the world that could prove any such thing against him This matter troubleth most of the noblemen, for copies have been sent to the Palsgrave and to divers other parts of the world, much to the scandal of all the peers in the kingdom.

The ambassadors of Scotland are well used of

the Queen and
are to depart this next week It has been said by many that
they meant to handle the matter of the succession and to
demand peremptorily those lands in England which are in
question between the Scottish King and the Lady Arabella
with some other lofty propositions, but Mr Secretary declareth
that the principal scope of their journey is for congratulation of
her Majesty's escape and to clear those imputations which have
been thrown upon the King for dealing with the Pope and the
King of Spain, and especially for suffering some subjects of